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NOTIFICATION

Addendum

The following communication was received from the Republic of Korea on 15 October 2003.

Tentative Phytosanitary measures to prevent the introduction of Sudden Oak Death Disease

The National Plant Quarantine Service, Ministry of Agriculture and Forestry of the Republic of Korea, has modified "Tentative Phytosanitary Measures to prevent the introduction of Sudden Oak Death (SOD) Disease based on the information that the disease has been confirmed in Belgium, France, Sweden, Poland and Italy. The importation of all propagative and non-propagative materials of the known host plants of SOD from Belgium, France, Sweden, Poland and Italy has been additionally prohibited.

In addition, based on the information that the disease has been detected in 12 species of plants, the importation of nursery stocks and wood products which have not been debarked (defined by the IPPC definition), has been newly regulated. Any shipment of the regulated materials, when imported into Korea, should be accompanied by the phytosanitary certificate clearly stating that the materials in the shipment have been produced in the place free (ISPM10) from SOD or the materials in the shipment are believed to be free from SOD as a result of inspection.

12 species of plants newly regulated:

Grand fir (*Abies grandis*)
Strawberry tree (*Arbutus unedo*)
Camellia (*Camellia sasanqua*)
California hazelnut (*Corylus cornuta*)
Mountain laurel (*Kalmia latifolia*)
Forest flame andromeda (*Pieris formosa x japonica*)
Brouwer's beauty andromeda (*Pieris floribunda japonica*)
Variegated and flaming silver andromeda (*Pieris japonica*)
Lingonberry (*Vaccinium vitis-idaea*)
Mariesii-doublefile viburnum (*Viburnum plicatum* var. *tomentosum*)
Lilac (*Syringa vulgaris*)
European yew (*Taxus baccata*)

These measures are effective for the consignments shipped on and after 20 October 2003.
